

## **Modified Entry Level Academy Class Information**

The Houston Police Department will be holding an academy class for qualified applicants on March 22, 2005. Prior to the commencement of this class, candidates that fill applications will be screened and processed. This will include all those officers, from Texas and other states, who have at least three- (3) years of prior law enforcement experience with another local, county, or state agency. The following will also apply:

### **Requirements**

- A minimum of at least three- (3) year's experience as a full-time, paid peace officer with a single agency. This experience must be within three- (3) years of making application (applicants must not have been out of police work for more than three- (3) years when making application).
- Possess sixty- (60) semester college hours from an accredited college/university with a 2.0 GPA or military service with an honorable discharge.
- All other requirements applicable to police trainee/cadet applicants apply to modified entry-level candidates.

### **Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ's)**

#### **Where can I apply as a modified entry-level candidate?**

Contact the Houston Police Department Human Resources Division/Recruiting Unit for information at (713) 308-1300 or 1-800-252-0473.

#### **I am 46 years old and meet all your experience requirements. Would I qualify?**

No, since our age requirement for PO Trainee/cadets must be met and this is from age 21 to 44 (you cannot reach your 45<sup>th</sup> birthday prior to oath of office or date of certification).

#### **My certification is from out-of-state. Would I qualify?**

Yes, providing you meet all applicable requirements for a modified entry-level position, which include those requirements for PO Trainees.

#### **I was involved in an IAD investigation as the result of a citizen complaint. Will this hurt my chances for being hired?**

This will be addressed when you fill-out an application and are interviewed. We encourage all applicants to be truthful. You will have a chance to explain this fully during your scheduled interview session.

#### **Where can I find out information about the Houston Police Officers' Pension System?**

You may find out information by visiting the Houston Police Officers' Union web site at [www.hpou.org](http://www.hpou.org) or the Houston Police Officers' Pension System at [www.hpops.org](http://www.hpops.org). The phone contact phone number to HPOU is 713.237.0282. You may contact the HPOPS at 713.869.7657.